THE BIBLE SPEAKS

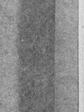
By DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE: John 3:23-29; 14:1-4; I Corinthians 15:1-6, 20-26; II Corinthians 5:1-10.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Acts 2:22-32.

Heaven Is Real

Easter Lesson for April 17, 1949

HEAVEN IS just as real as Chicago. More so, because Chicago will in time cease to be, while heaven lasts forever. A few atomic bombs, a whiff of some new plague, can make Chicago vanish; but no atomic bomb can touch heaven. The pity is, so few Christians really believe this. We can get mail from Chicago, but who ever heard of mail from heaven?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Wait, though . . . there is mail from heaven, and you have it there in your Bible. If you accept it for what it is, the Word of God, then it is the Word from heaven. To be sure, it does not tell us much about heaven. If you were actually traveling to Chicago, you would not begin by studying a street-map of that city. What you would need is a map of the roads between.

So the Bible is not a guidebook to the "City Four-Square;" it is more of a road-map to help us find the way between here and there. Nevertheless, the Bible does assure us that heaven is real.

Christians have many reasons for believing in the reality of the future life, and some of these may not be in the Bible; but the best reasons are there.

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Jesus Believed It

WINIFRED KIRKLAND has truly said that Jesus did not simply believe in immortality; he lived it. Jesus would never have called this world or this life trifling or unimportant. But all around, under and over and through this visible world, Jesus was aware of another. He lived and acted as a citizen of both worlds. He talked of life after death —or for that matter, of his own life before his birth—as calmly and naturally as you would speak of next week or next summer.

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Christ is Risen

MANY PEOPLE feel it would be easier to believe in the future life if someone who had been across the line of death would return across that line to bring a message from the beyond. So they attend seances and they listen to table-tappings and go through all manner of weird performances in order to get a word or two from someone who has passed on.

But all the time we do have a record of a Return. Indeed it is The Return. We call it the Resurrection. The message of Easter is not summed up in songs about some "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere;" it is in these three words: "Christ is risen!"

He did not return in darkness, he was not under the control of any "medium," he did not make himself known by ghostly hauntings. He was seen at supper-tables, he spoke to his friends on a mountainside, he came to fishermen on a spring morning by a lake shore. The earliest Christians doubted some things; but few doubted that the Lord was risen indeed.

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Heaven Begins With God

THE CURE for the troubled heart, Jesus said, is faith in God. One of the strongest reasons for believing that the future life is real, is the nature and character of God himself. Jesus said as much once, in an argument with men who did not believe in immortality: "God is not the God of the dead, but of the living." If we were God's paper dolls or toy soldiers, he might weary of us as a child wearies of its toys, and sweep us all into destruction without a moment's thought. But if we are truly his children, then when life's evening comes, he will call his tired children home.

Eternal Life has two sides, the heaven-side and the earth-side. The church has never believed that simple immortality is the same thing as the heavenly life.

A Judas, when he dies, goes (as Peter saidly said) "to his own place." A Judas carries out his own hell with him. But a man like Paul, or any Christian who has been at home with God here on this earth, when at last death comes, will, as Whittier said:

"Find himself by bands familiar beckoned
Unto his fitting place."

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Trinity Road

Trinity Road, April 12.- Another store is being built on this road, by J. E. Herndon. Boy, oh boy, more like New York every day!

We are getting Sunday's paper delivered to us before breakfast, right in our mail box; started this past Sunday.

Believe it or not, this northwest corner of the county is getting on the map. If only the supervisors would build up a hard surface road from Bent Creek to Route 460, to H. C. Moore's store.

Quite a number of people from around here saw "The Light Eternal" given by the Presbyterian ladies at Appomattox last Thursday night. It was very inspiring.

R. C. Wright, Marvin Stratton, and son, Kelly, W. E. Woodson, Jr. and Tye Cobb Drinkard attended a sale in Amelia last Friday.

"Strutt" Stratton, of Gladstone, is the guest of E. H. Routon.

Pfc. Clayton Drinkard, Jr. and Pfc. Fletcher Burge, Jr. left Friday for Camp Stoneman, California, en route overseas.

Little Miss Betty Jane and Master John Alvis, III, are visiting their grandparents in Orange. Their mother was called there today because of the illness of Betty Jane.

Mrs. Marshall Stratton left Sunday for Washington for a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lloyd and family, of Richmond were week-end guests of Mrs. Lloyd's mother, Mrs. Louis Parris, and Mr. Parris.

The minstrel given at Stonewall school Saturday night was quite a success. A nice sum was realized.

Jimmie Stratton, of Kenbridge, and Miss Jean Stratton, of Gladys, were week-end guests at their home.

C. M. Stratton, of Kenbridge, visited his home here over the past week-end.

Uncle Sam Says

Far too many of your dreams have a habit of vanishing into thin air. But that doesn't have to happen to you. You can hold onto your dreams and have them come true at just the right time to enjoy them most. The answer is—invest in U. S. Savings Bonds. They are a sure, safe investment, for your money grows and in ten years you get back $4 for every $3 you put down now. There are two automatic ways of getting onto safe financial ground and that is through the Payroll Savings Plan where you work, or if self-employed, the Bond-a-Month Plan where you bank.
U.S. Treasury Department

Pamplin

Pamplin, April 11.- The regular monthly meeting of Pamplin Chapter, O. E. S. was held on Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Evans, of Roanoke were week -end guests in the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. C. C. Rosser.

Mrs. Clarence Welch and daughter are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Topping were recent visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Covington and Mr. and Mrs. James Rosser.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black were week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Clayton, of Buena Vista, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dale, of Fairfield.

The Rev. and Mrs. S. G. Harwood, of Victoria were week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harwood.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Lucado and son, Dick Baldwin were week-end guests of relatives on the Eastern Shore.

Mrs. W. M. Black, Mrs. L. N. Ligon, Miss Margaret Ligon, Mrs. N. L. McClenny and Miss Aileene McClenny attended the Baptist Training Union group meeting at Hollywood Church on last Friday night.

Swim Suits This Year To Reveal More Wearer

LOS ANGELES.—This summer's swim suits made a formal debut and to nobody's surprise they revealed a lot.

The occasion was the opening of California apparel creators' press week.

Fred Cole of California explained, "A swim suit is not hung on the body —it's an engineering proposition."

One of the most popular entries was Cole's sheath silhouette, designed by Margit Fellegi, which follows the body contour in graceful lines, set off my shirring. Another Cole standout is a skirted print number designed by Elza of Hollywood. Then there's a neat iridescent chambray with separate patio skirts.

The trend is to one piece outfits, mostly without straps. But there were plenty of the midriff variety, too, including one by Gantner called "Black Magic," fashioned entirely without vertical seams. As a result says the press agent, the fit can't be improved.

Caltax features several short skirts and apron effects to flatter women a bit rippier than the models. A favorite is a gingham creation called "Bloomer Girl." Catalina's entries include two piece black decorated with a white night blooming cereus and a dressy boucle knit, with ivy print on a slimming front panel. Rose Marie Reid has even dune evening dresses over swim trunks, in metallic cottons. And a favorite of hers is a elasticized fabric.

Basically, the new stuff has held fairly close to the previously accepted in design—with plenty of room for suntan. But colors are generally softer, and all sorts of fabrics have gone to sea—chambrays, seersuckers, terry cloth, jacquarded satins, tie silks, nylons, and even velvet and lame.

Russia says proposal UN police force violates charter.

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Farm Topics

Elevators Found Helpful on Farms

Perform Most of Heavy Lifting, Transport Jobs

On today's electrified farms, elevators perform most of the heavy lifting and short transportation jobs. Although used for a number of years to some extent, these devices did not acquire widespread popularity until World War II.

It was during the worst of the manpower shortage period that elevators were used most. They answered the demands of older men for mechanical help to replace employees called to service. And they saved the day for younger farmers in helping them save time for more important production tasks.

This photo shows how baled hay can be raised with an inclined plane elevator.

Farm elevators are either portable or stationary. In general, motors for portable elevators range in size from one-half to one horsepower. Tests made at Idaho state college indicate that an average load of grain can be emptied and cribbed by one man in from six to eight minutes with the aid of a portable elevator.

Elevators also are used for raising or moving a wide variety of farm products, including hay, loose or sacked grain.

The use of elevators in farm work has been found highly desirable because of the freeing of labor for other tasks and the amount of time saved over the run of a crop year.

DN-289 Efficient

Typical injury on fruit from eye-spotted bud moth.

The developement of a new and efficient dinitor fungicide and insecticide for orchard use has been announced by the manufacturer, Dow chemical company.

The chemical is the triethanolamine salt of dinitro-sec-butylphenol and is effective against a wide range of fruit pests and diseases. First used experimentally during the 1942 season, the compound is now ready for commercial use under the trade name DN-289. It is available as a stable, clear solution which contains eight ounces actual dinitro-sec-butylphenol in each quart and which is readily miscible with water.

DN-289 has shown high efficiency as an insecticide for use in the dormant period against a variety of insects such as the rosy apple aphid, the currant aphid, the black cherry aphid, the mealy plum aphid, eye spotted bud moth, the case-bearer, pear psylla and oyster shell scale on apple and lilac. It also has given very promising results in control of the San Jose scale, scurfy scale and the eggs of the European red mite. As a fungicide, DN-289 has been used successfully for the control of sooty blotch on pears.

The amounts of the compound required to attain good control ranges from one quart to two quarts in 100 gallons of water. Aphids are controlled with one quart, while two quarts are needed to kill bud moths, case-bearer and the pear psylla. Heavier concentrations may be needed to control oyster shell scale.

Research workers are conducting extensive tests to find other insects and diseases that may be controlled with the chemical.

Ladino Clover Produces Better if Bee-Visited

Ladino clover on which bees were allowed to work freely produced 40 times as much seed as that from which bees were excluded, according to an experiment conducted by Dr. H. A. Scullen.

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Barter Theatre presents "Dear Ruth" April 21

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Stonewall

Stonewall, April 12.- There was a great crowd at the minstrel at the Stonewall school on last Saturday night and a nice sum was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Turnes had as their guests on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jobs and family and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brown and children, of Gladstone.

Mrs. Anna Lee spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Lee Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Burnette, of West Virginia spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Burnette.

The W. M. U. of Hebron Church will meet with Mrs. P. B. Stratton on next Wednesday night, April 20 at 7:30.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilton Lee and children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wash Wheeler, at Rustburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks Jennings received word of the arrival of a new grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spain April 1.

Bob Wheeler, of Richmond spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler.

The W. S. C. S. of Bethel Church will meet in the home of Mrs. John Hall on Thursday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Collins and David Caldwell, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Caldwell.

Mrs. C. M. Caldwell and son, Melvin Kenoske with her sister, Mrs. C. A. Boudurant and her family.

Mrs. J. H. Beard, who has been visiting her children in North Carolina will return to her home here Friday.

Little Lawrence Beard celebrated his 5th birthday on April 8th. We wish him many more happy years.

MONROE LODGE

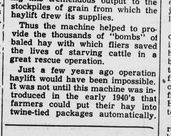
Monroe Lodge No. 301, A. F. & A. M., meets the second Monday of every month in their hall at Appomattox, at 8:00 P. M. Visiting brothers welcome.
Franklin Marshall, W. M.

Farm Topics

Twine-Tying Baler Speeds Hay Harvest Made "Haylift" Work Possible in West

Over the vast areas of the plains states where 1948's unprecedented snows caused extensive suffering of both livstock and human beings, machines like the one shown above are beginning to be more appreciated.

Not in the actual haylift operations, wherein grain for starving cattle and food for humans were dropped from airplanes, but in the preliminary phase of harvesting, without which the haylift would have been impossible.



The machine shown here turned out up to 7 bales a minute during the haying season of last year, adding this tremendous output to the stockpiles of grain from which the haylift drew its supplies.

Thus the machine helped to provide the thousands of "bombs" of baled hay with which fliers saved the lives of starving cattle in a Calamity rescue operation.

Just a few years ago operation haylift would have been impossible. It was not until this machine was introduced in the early 1940's that farmers could put their hay into twine-tied packages automatically.

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Overcrowding of Schools Held Cause of Heuroses

HARTFORD, CONN., Feb. 17— Overcrowding of schools has been the cause of psychopathic cases among both teachers and pupils, Dr. Finnis E. Engleman, state, commissioner of education, said here recently.

At a legislative meeting of the Connecticut state federation of women's clubs, he made a plea for replacement of obsolete buildings with new structures to care for increased school enrollment and said that an adequate program could not be accomplished without state aid.

Alfred V. Bodine, president of the Bridgeport chamber of commerce, told the 150 women at the conference that "the Government can give nothing to any citizen that it does not first take from another citizen."

State Representative John P. Cotter, Democrat, of Hartford, minority leader, spoke in behalf of the Democratic administration's proposed state income tax. He said it would give families in lower income groups a lighter load than does the present sales tax.

State Representative George S. Conway, Republican of Guilford, majority leader, defended the sales tax as "painless" and said it was financing state services "all in accordance with our means."

Umpires Soon SuperNons As Device Marks Foul Hits

WASHINGTON —Base hit or foul ball? Soon fans will be advising umpires to go and have their eyes examined, after callfire a close one just inside or just outside the foul line.

To take this wrangle-causing uncertainty out of baseball a Washington inventor, Allen K. Nelson, has devised what he calls a foul ball indicator. It consists of a post to be set at the far end of the outfield on the foul line, with a pair of crossarms from which a series of free-swinging rods are suspended. Half the rods are thus in "fair territory, the other half in "foul."

Electrical connections from the rods are so arranged that if a batted ball hits one of the rods on the "fair" side it will cause a green lamp to light up, while if the impact is against a rod on the "foul" side a red signal will be flashed to the batter—and he'll have to wait for a better ball.

United States patent 2,461,836 has just been granted on this invention.

Pet Terrier's Barking Saves Tot From Water

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Two-year-old Gene Stanchfield of 51 Fernwood Terrace was saved from drowning in a neighbor's fish pond when a pet terrier's barking brought the child's mother, Mrs. Doris Stanchfield, to the rescue.

The child, pulling a wagon and accompanied by the dog, wandered into the back yard at the home of Henry Lechaire, who lives next door at 55 Fernwood Terrace. Attracted by the ice-covered fish pond there, he walked to the edge and toppled in.

As the child splashed in the icy water the dog barked frantically. Mrs. Stanchfield rushed into the Lechaires' year and found the child in 18 inches of water, his lips blue. The mother administered artificial respiration until the arrival of a physician, who treated the child for exposure and immersion.

Man, 91, Cracks Nuts On Birthday, Plans Motorbike Programs

APPLETON, WIS.—(AP)—JOE Leppla was cracking hickory nuts on his 91st birthday, waiting for spring so he can renew his claim of being the world's oldest motorcycle rider.

The man who figures he's the granddaddy of the motorcycle doesn't usually put away his bike for the winter. He kept riding last year when the icy season set in. But Joe picked up a cold this winter—the first in 40 years, he says—so he decided to sit out the cold and cold for the first time.

Leppla retired from farming at the age of 60 and took to the motorcyle so he'd have something to do and so he could keep on getting plenty of fresh air. Since then he's worn out five bikes and has well over 100,000 miles on his sixth.

When he winds up, Joe usually heads for a fishing spot in this area, but he's taken many long jaunts out west.

Leppla might claim another title when he climbs aboard his cycle this spring. Those hickory nuts he's been cracking at the home of his daughter here aren't merely time passers. Joe says he has 60 pounds of nut meats so far and is on his way to becoming the champion hickory nut cracker of the world.

N & W notes record earnings in 1948.

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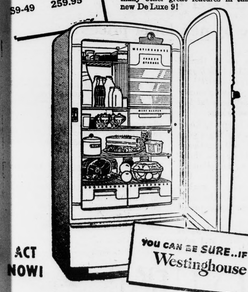

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Rocks News

Rocks, April 11.- The first Tuesday issue of the Farmville Herald has been received here and enjoyed, as the Herald always is.

Mary Edith, Harry Eugene and Frank Roy Rason and Sandra Ruth Roach have the measles.

Mrs. John Henry Ranson and Johnny spent last Monday in the home of Mrs. Maude Ranson.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lucado, of Pamplin were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ranson recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth St. John and son were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge and daughter awhile last Sunday.

Witt Baldwin's children have all had the measles.

Mrs. D. R. Inge spent Sunday in Farmville with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Inge and daughter.

Emory Ranson was helping Robert Roach saw some lumber last week.

Lewis Dickerson went to Lynchburg Friday.

Joe Almond went to Lynchburg Saturday to get his glasses fixed.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cash and family, of Gaits Mill were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Eisenson and Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ranson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marks, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ranson.

Mrs. S. C. Ranson and Cassie Baldwin attended the W. M. U. meeting last Wednesday at Elon Church.

Mrs. Holmsey Inge, Sr., of Appomattox spent Thursday night with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Ranson.

Little Pearl Katherine Ranson who has been sick, is out again.

L. K. Almond attended court at Appomattox for three days last week.

James R. Taylor was fixing a screened-in porch for Lewis Dickerson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Inge, of Farmville were in the neighborhood Saturday afternoon.

Misses Annie C. Martin and Etta Ranson attended the funeral of Jesse Bomar at Gladys on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Paul[illegible] and Mrs. Harmon called to see Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge and daughter Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. James Taylor called to see her mother, Mrs. R. C. Baldwin awhile Sunday afternoon.

Friends are sorry to hear that D. G. Anderson, of Appomattox, continues ill at his home there. We from Rocks wish him a speedy recovery.

The quarterly business meeting will be held at the church April 16th (Saturday) at 2:30. All members are urged to be present.

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